

REMARKS

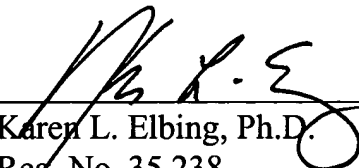
Applicants elect Group III, originally including claims 9, 10, 21, 22, 33, 34, 45, 46, 57, and 58. Applicants have also amended the claims originally in Group IV and V to depend from the claims in Group III. Accordingly, claims 9-12, 21-24, 33-36, 45-48, and 57-60 are now in Group III, and Applicants wish to proceed to action on the merits for these claims. The election is made without traverse to the extent that the indicated claims will be examined.

Enclosed is a petition to extend the period for reply for one month, to and including July 12, 2006.

If there are any charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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